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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

- AA United States Patent No. 6,438,408
- AB United States Patent No. 5,476,483
- AL European Application 0 591 642
- AT "Pathophysiological Characterization of Isolated Diastolic Heart Failure in Comparison to Systolic Heart Failure," Kitzman et al, Journal of the American Medical Association, Vol. 288, No. 17 (November 6, 2002), pages 2144-2150

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

Reference AA was identified and discussed in the present specification, and also was among the references, together with References AB and AL, cited in the Search Report rendered by the Swedish Patent Office in connection with the counterpart Swedish Application.

Reference AT is a further reference known to the Applicants that provides general background information regarding statistical occurrences of patients diagnosed with congestive heart failure.

Copies of References AL and AT are submitted herewith, together with Form 1449 on which all of the references are listed.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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